

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) A method of image distribution from a central distribution server (10) to at least one receiver device (20), in which, in response to a user request, at least one image is broadcast by a telecasting means, and an information message (24) of image availability by telecasting is sent to the receiver device (20) .

2. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the image to be broadcast is transmitted from the server to a telecasting station (40).

3. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the image is encoded with at least one key before its broadcasting.

4. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 2-3, wherein the key is sent to the receiver device (20) with the availability information message (24).

5. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein transmission of the image to the telecasting station and transmission of the availability information message (24) to the receiver device take place ~~more or less~~ at the same time.

6. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 1, comprising ~~the~~ a transmission by the receiver device (20), of an acknowledgement (29) of the image and ~~the an~~ an interruption of the broadcasting of the image in response to the acknowledgement.

7. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the availability information message (24) and/or acknowledgement are messages transmitted by Internet.

8. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the image is broadcast by radio and/or by cable.

9. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the image distribution request is transmitted from the user to the central server using a surcharged electronic message (32).

10. (Currently amended) An image distribution system comprising a central server (10), a first communication link (42) between the server and a telecasting station, and a second communication link (26) between the central server and a receiver device (20), the receiver device being capable of receiving a telecast signal (44) from the telecasting station.

11. (Currently amended) A system according to Claim 10, wherein the receiver device comprises a television set, a digital camera or any other device capable of displaying an image.

12. (Currently amended) A system according to Claim 10, wherein the receiver device is a digital photo frame.

13. (Currently amended) A digital photo frame comprising a network communication channel, a telecast signal reception channel (27, 28), and display means (22) of an image received by the telecast signal reception channel, wherein the network communication channel comprises a message reception module to trigger the telecast signal reception channel upon receipt of an image availability message in response to an information message received by the network communication channel.

14. (Currently amended) A frame according to Claim 13, wherein the telecast signal reception channel has a key decoder ~~(27)~~.